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HEARING AID DISPENSERS LICENSING BOARD

STATE DOCUMENTS

Ed Carney, Director

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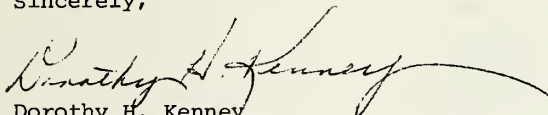
The Honorable Thomas L. Judge
Governor of the State of Montana
State Capitol Building
Helena, Montana 59601

Re: Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers

Dear Governor Judge:

In accordance with the requirements contained in Section 82-4002, Revised Codes of Montana, 1947, the report of the Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers is herewith transmitted to you covering the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974.

Sincerely,


Dorothy H. Kenney
Administrative Secretary

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AGENCY ORGANIZATION

Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers

Chairman: Dr. Wyman Roberts
Barber-Lydiard Building
Great Falls, Montana 59401
Telephone: 452-8622
Term: July 1, 1976

Secretary: Mr. John Sweeney
Sonotone of Butte
20 North Dakota
Butte, Montana 59701
Telephone: 792-5505
Term: July 1, 1974

Board Members: Robert Jurovich - replaced Bruce Fisette
Prescription Hearing Aid Service
521 - 24th Street West
Billings, Montana 59102
Telephone: 656-7850
Term: July 1, 1975

Stanley C. Genest
Hearing Aid Institute
8 - Fifth Street North
Great Falls, Montana 59401
Telephone: 453-0541
Term: July 1, 1976

Paul J. Perry, Audiologist - replaced James Going
3005 - Eighth Avenue South
Great Falls, Montana 59405
Telephone: 453-4255
Term: July 1, 1976

Alternate: Morris Demaree
Morris Hearing Aid Service
928 Broadwater Avenue, Suite 2A
Billings, Montana 59101
Telephone: 252-9429
Term: July 1, 1976

Director Ed Carney

Administrative Secretary Dorothy H. Kenney

Principal Office Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers
Department of Professional and
Occupational Licensing
Lalonde Building
Helena, Montana 59601
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LEGAL REFERENCES:

The Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers operates under the legal authority of Sections 66-3001 through 66-3022, Revised Codes of Montana, 1947. The Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers is attached to the Department of Professional and Occupational Licensing for administrative purposes only as prescribed by Section 82A-1602.12.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Board's responsibilities are to protect the public from unscrupulous dealers who take advantage of the elderly people, in particular. They are striving to create a better public image by insuring honest and competent fitting of hearing aids.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

1. The repeal of the Grandfather Clause by the Legislature.
2. It was decided to have the Board Attorney revise and prepare a new Code of Ethics for their perusal.
3. Performance Factors
 - 4 Board meetings were held
 - 10 new licenses were issued
 - 16 examinations administered
 - 43 licenses renewed
 - Complaints were reviewed
4. An educational seminar was held in Great Falls in May 1974.
5. It was decided by the Board to request the next legislature to increase renewal fees to no more than \$80.00.

PROGRAM COST SUMMARY:

	FY 1973-1974	FY 1972-1973
Licensing & Regulation	\$3,165.00	\$1,784.00
Personal Services	1,779.00	484.00
Operating Expenses	1,306.00	1,170.00
Equipment	80.00	130.00
Total Expenses	3,165.00	1,784.00

Source of Funding:

Earmarked Revenue Fund	\$3,165.00	\$1,784.00
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PROGRAM ANALYSIS:

Program Goal

To license only those applicants who demonstrate qualifications required by the law and rules so that the public interest may be served.

Program Objective:

Provide regulation and education of all licenses so that their work meets the standards required by the Board and the public.

Evaluation:

The Board is working within the law and available funds to carry out the goals and objectives.